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SUBJ: OIL EXPLORATION

REF: A. STATE 172263

B. AMMAN 4347

1. ACCORDING TO NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICIAL, NIMRI, FINAL NEGOTIATIONS WILL BEGIN SOON WITH U.S. OIL COMPANIES, SUN, TREND, AND NATOMAS, THAT HAVE PROPOSALS PENDING WITH GOJ. SUN HAS REQUESTED TWO AREAS, ONE IN NORTHEASTERN PANHANDLE AND ANOTHER NEAR AZRAK, WHILE TREND ASKED FOR THREE CONCESSIONS IN SAME GENERAL AREAS AS SUN. NATOMAS HAS REQUESTED ONE CONCESSION WHICH INCLUDES PART OF PANHANDLE, NORTH, AND ZONE NEAR DEAD SEA.

2. ACCORDING TO NIMRI, GOJ PLANS TO DEAL WITH FIRMS SINGLY BEGINNING WITH SUN, BUT TERMS OF ANY AGREEMENTS HAVE YET TO BE WORKED OUT. HE INDICATED TWO FIRMS LIKELY TO RECEIVE CONCESSIONS AND IS HOPEFUL AT LEAST ONE CONCESSION AGREEMENT CAN BE FINALIZED THIS YEAR. EXPLORATION WOULD LIKELY BEGIN THREE OR FOUR MONTHS THEREAFTER. PICKERING

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